GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:717
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ARRIVAL OF IMPORTED WHEAT
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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the consignments of imported wheat have started arriving in the country;

(b) if so, the quantity received so far;

(c) whether huge quantity of imported wheat is stranded at ports waiting for clearance due to freight train and manpower shortages; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the action being taken for its early clearance?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (DR. AKHILESH PRASAD SINGH)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): 32 lakh metric tonnes (including anchored quantity).

(c)&(d): To accelerate evacuation and movement of imported wheat from the ports, an operational plan has been finalised for movement in Box Wagon, Bulk and through Road.